

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Michael J. Coyne et al :
APPLICATION NO.: Not Yet Known : Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
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TITLE: A METHOD OF MEASURING THE :
DURATION OF ADEQUATE IMMUNE
MEMORY IN COMPANION ANIMALS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination and calculation of the filing fee, applicant requests entry of the following amendments to the application:

In the specification:

On page 1, immediately after the title, please insert the following paragraph:

-- This application claims the benefit of priority of U.S. Provisional Application Ser. No. 60/200,041, filed April 27, 2000. --

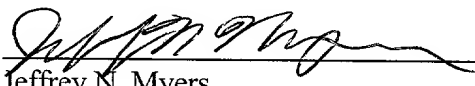
REMARKS

Applicant has amended the specification to include priority data as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.78. This amendment adds no new matter to the present application.

A favorable response is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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